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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY

September 28, 2004

The California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990 provides funds annually for grants to local agencies to acquire and/or develop facilities for public recreational and/or fish and wildlife habitat protection. The State Department of Parks and Recreation has been delegated the responsibility for a portion of the program within the State and that competitive grant program is known as the "Habitat Conservation Program". The State has also established necessary procedures to govern the application process and to that end, a resolution by the Board of Supervisors is required to complete the application packages (See attached Resolution).

The County Department of Parks and Recreation has identified the following projects which meet the competitive grant criteria for submission to the State:

COLD CREEK ACQUISITION-RIPARIAN HABITAT ACQUISTION PROJECT

LA SIERRA CANYON-WETLANDS ACQUISITION PROJECT

MALIBU CREEK-ANADROMOUS/TROUT PROJECT

These projects are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Sections 15301 (i), 15313, 15316, and 15325 (a) and Classes 1, 13, 16,25 (a) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that this Board:

1. Finds the proposed projects and applications exempt from CEQA; and
2. Adopts the attached Resolution authorizing the completion and filing applications with the State of California – Resources Agency, Department of Parks and Recreation for funding for the three proposed projects under the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990, designating the Interim Director of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, as the authorized representative of the

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County to accept any awarded grants; and

3. Appoints the Interim Director of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, as agent of the County of Los Angeles to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, agreements and/or amendments to existing agreements with Mountains Restoration Trust to manage and operate and maintain the projects, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned projects; and
4. Authorizes the projects, contingent upon grant funding; and
5. Certifies the County has or will have the required match for the projects and that Mountains Restoration Trust shall be responsible and have sufficient funds for the management, operation and maintenance of the projects at no expense to the County; and
6. Instructs the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return three (3) original copies of the resolution to the Department of Parks and Recreation by Wednesday, September 29, 2004, for submission to the State.